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CLAIMS

WHAT IS CLAIMED:

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A method for entering data into a computer, comprising:

anchoring an electrical cord connecting a peripheral input device to the computer;

positioning the peripheral input/device; and

retracting slack in the electrical cord as the peripheral input device is positioned.

- The method of claim 1, wherein anchoring the electrical cord includes anchoring the electrical cord to a desktop.
- 3. The method of claim 2, wherein anchoring the electrical cord includes at least one of adhering and fastening an anchor to the desktop.
 - 4. The method of claim 1, wherein anchoring the electrical cord includes anchoring the electrical cord to a computer chassis.
 - 5. The method of claim 4, wherein anchoring the electrical cord includes at least one of adhering and fastening an anchor to the computer chassis.
 - 6. The method of claim 1, wherein anchoring the electrical cord includes anchoring the electrical cord to a mouse pad.
 - 7. The method of claim 6, wherein anchoring the electrical cord includes at least one of adhering and fastening an anchor to the mouse pad.

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- 8. The method of claim 1, wherein positioning the peripheral input device includes positioning a mouse.
- 9. The method of claim 1, wherein positioning the peripheral input device includes positioning a pointer displayed by the computer.
- 5 10. The method of claim 1, where pretracting slack in the electrical cord includes retracting the slack into the peripheral input device.
 - 11. The method of claim 1, wherein tetracting slack in the electrical cord includes retracting the slack into an anchor.
 - 12. A method for entering data into a computer, comprising:

affixing an electrical cord to a work surface, the electrical cord connecting a peripheral input device to the computer;

moving the peripheral input device; and

retracting slack in the electrical cord as the peripheral input device is moved.

- 13. The method of claim 12, wherein anchoring the electrical cord to the work15 surface includes anchoring the electrical cord to a desktop or a mouse pad.
 - 14. The method of claim 12, wherein anchoring the electrical cord to the work surface includes at least one of adhering and fastening an anchor to the work surface.
 - 15. The method of claim 12, wherein moving the peripheral input device includes moving a mouse and a pointer displayed by the computer.



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16. The method of claim 12, wherein retracting slack in the electrical cord includes retracting the slack into at least one of the peripheral input device and an anchor.

A method for entering data into a computer, comprising:

anchoring an electrical cord to a work surface, the electrical cord connecting a

mouse the computer;

positioning the mouse; and

retracting slack in the electrical cord as the mouse is positioned.

- 18. The method of claim 17, wherein anchoring the electrical cord to the work surface includes anchoring the electrical cord to at least one of a desktop and a mouse pad.
- 19. The method of claim 17, wherein anchoring the electrical cord includes at least one of adhering and fastening an anchor to the work surface.
- 20. The method of claim 17, wherein positioning the mouse includes positioning a pointer displayed by the computer.
- 15 21. The method of claim 17, wherein retracting slack in the electrical cord includes retracting the slack into at least one of the mouse and an anchor.